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WORKERS' TRAINING CLASS.

The most profitable meeting held by the Association at present is the Young Men's Training Class, held on Thursday evenings, at 8.30 o'clock. The sessions are unusually interesting. The subjects considered the past few weeks have been how to take part in religious meetings. The topic for next Thursday evening is, "How to speak in a meeting, with hints on Young Men's Meetings and Boys' Meetings;" to be opened with a paper by Mr. R. D. List, and to be followed with conversation by the class. The class should be attended by many more of our young men. All are invited to join or visit it.

MEMBERS' RECEPTION.

Our Hall was comfortably filled on last Tuesday evening, at our Monthly Social Reception. The exercises were opened with some fine music rendered on our new piano, in a trio by Misses Breitinger, Chrisman and Stone, and an instrumental solo by Miss Kitty Swartz. In addition to the musical programme, Dr. Chas. T. George exhibited a large collection of beautiful and varied views with his fine Sciopticon, which were greatly appreciated by the audience. Later in the evening gymnastic exercises were had in the Gymnasium, about thirty of our members taking part. The entertainment was an enjoyable one.

WILLIAMSPORT ASSOCIATION has resumed the publication of a BULLETIN. New ones have been received from Haverhill, Mass., and Burlington, Iowa. This is the last number in our second volume. The French Semi-Monthly BULLETIN is now received regularly and put on file with our other exchanges.

THE Service of Song Committee will meet this evening at 9 o'clock.

"THE ART OF ENGRAVING."

The last lecture in our Members' Course will be delivered by John B. McPherson, Esq., in our Hall on next Tuesday evening at 8 o'clock. The subject will be "The Art of Engraving," wh[illegible]r. McPherson will treat in an entertaining manner that will prove interesting to his hearers. Our members that do not attend this, our closing lecture, will doubtless miss a rich treat.

As heretofore, a Members' ticket will admit a gentleman and lady.

LITERARY SOCIETY.

PROGRAMME FOR FRIDAY, MARCH 26.

Reading, Declamation and Essay.

Debate—QUESTION: Should General Grant Have a Third Term?

AFFIRMATIVE,	NEGATIVE,
L. F. Kast,	U. M. Weaver,
S. P. Keeling,	Frank Coxeter.

The new officers of the society have taken hold with renewed energy. The attendance has been largely increased and the members are becoming more interested. Members of the Association are invited to join the society.

SERVICE OF SONG.

Service of Song was unusually interesting last Sunday.

Come to-morrow afternoon there will be short talks on the subject of "The Freeness of Salvation," the singing will be good and you will enjoy it.

The Committee have arranged to hold after meetings of short duration in the Parlors. The first one was held last Sunday.

A VERY successful entertainment was held in Lochiel Chapel on last Saturday evening. The entertainment was for the Benefit of the Organ fund of our Mission Sunday-school.

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THIS week's WATCHMAN has been received. As usual, it is full of interesting items. It contains an exceedingly interesting account of the conversion of Rev. F. Van Schluembach, German Secretary, from infidelity to Christianity, as told in one of Mr. Moody's meetings, in St. Louis, Mo.

THE Cottage Prayer Meetings have been very encouraging this week. The subject for the meetings next week will be: "Able to Deliver." — Daniel 3:13–30. For place of meetings see list of announcements.

RECEPTION COMMITTEE ON DUTY FOR WEEK ENDING MARCH 27, 1880.

MONDAY — Samuel Ensminger, Wade H. Wigton.

TUESDAY—Wm. Shaffer, T. A. Black.

THURSDAY—E. D. Shellenberger, H. Gerhardt.

FRIDAY—C. W. Hillman, J. Silas Baer.

SATURDAY—E. W. S. Parthemore, R. D. List.

The members of the new Reception Committee have rendered efficient service since their appointment. Our Building is full of young men every evening, and we trust the members of this Committee will be present at their appointed time and fulfill their duties as fully as time and opportunity will permit.

YOUNG MEN'S MEETING.

The Young Men's Prayer Meeting Committee met on last Saturday evening, and prepared a very attractive programme for the Young Men's Meeting for the second quarter in this year. The programme will be printed and can be obtained at the building.

The subject this evening will be "The Best Gift Free to All." Isa. 55:1–13. Let there be a large attendance.

The Boys' Prayer Meeting was never more encouraging than at present. The meeting is interesting and enjoyed by the boys. A marked improvement in their deportment is noticeable.

WE gratefully acknowledge the receipt of nineteen volumes of the Pennsylvania Second Geological Survey for our Library from Mr. Fred'k W. Forman.

THE Daily Morning Prayer Meeting is interesting, and the attendance is good, considering the hour it is held, but cannot some others attend, at least occasionally.

THE Railroad Men's Gospel Meeting, held in the Fifth Street M. E. Church last Sunday evening, was one of interest. These meetings are held monthly by our Committee on Railroad work.

THE Gymnasium is retaining its popularity. More systematic exercise is being taken at present than formerly.

MR. A. W. BERGSTRESSER will conduct the Sunday-school Teachers' Bible study next Thursday evening at 7.30 o'clock.

OUR MEETINGS FOR THE WEEK ENDING MARCH 27, 1880.

SUNDAY.....	9.00	A. M.	..Service in County Jail. C. A. Kunkel.
March 21.	1.30	P. M.	....Mission Sunday School at Lochiel.
	3.15	"	..Service of Song—Association Hall. E. G. Bowman.
	3.30	"	..Service at Home for the Friendless. H. C. Demming.
	5.00	"	..Bible Class (Colored). Charles May. Calvary Baptist Church, corner William and Colder streets.
	6.00	"	..Service at City Hospital. Joseph B. Bostick.
MONDAY.....	7.00	"	..Boys' Entertainment.
TUESDAY.....	8.00	"	..Members' Lecture. John B. McPherson, Esq. "The Art of Engraving."
	8.00	"	..Railroad Men's Cottage Prayer Meeting. John Sellers, 815 Market street.
WEDNESDAY.....	8.45	"	..Social Reception Committee Meeting.
THURSDAY.....	7.30	"	..Sunday School Teachers' Bible Class. A. W. Bergstresser.
	8.00	"	..Cottage Prayer Meeting. Mrs. Snow's. Tonoy street and Showers avenue.
	8.30	"	..Workers' Training Class. "How to Speak in a Meeting." R. D. List.
FRIDAY.....	7.00	"	..Boys' Prayer Meeting. Horace Chayne.
	7.30	"	.. " Literary Exercises. Readings, Recitations, &c.
	7.30	"	..Reading Circle. "English History and Literature."
	7.30	"	..Association Choral Class.
	8.00	"	..Members' Literary Society. Reading, Declamations and Debates.
SATURDAY.....	8.00	"	..Young Men's Meeting. James McConaughy
EVERY WEEK-DAY.....	8.00 A. M.		.....Daily Prayer Meeting.
	9.45 P. M.		.....Evening Prayers in the Parlors.

THE DAILY MORNING PRAYER MEETING

Is held in the Reading Room every morning, except Sunday, at 8.00 o'clock, closing at 8.30.

TOPICS AND LEADERS FOR THE WEEK.

MONDAY.....*Lasting Blessings from Inward Graces.* Matt. v. 1-12. Chas. Kennedy.
TUESDAY.....*Earnest Testimony from One who had Proved God.* Joshua xxiii. U. A. Poffenberger.
WEDNESDAY.....*Hath Christ Appeared unto You?* 1 Cor. xv. 3 9. Wm. N. Bessey.
THURSDAY..... ..*The Lord Denied.* Matt. xxvi. 69-75. James Caruthers.
FRIDAY..... .*Without Sympathy.* Matt. xxvi. 36-46; xxvii. 46. E. O. Dare.
SATURDAY... .... *Lesson to be Selected.* James McConaughy.

EVERYBODY IS INVITED TO ATTEND

THE names of over eight hundred boys are now enrolled on our list. In a few years they will become members of good or bad society. Whose shall they be? God's or satan's, members of christian society or aimless and unstable, will they be led wherever sinful desires call them. All interested in the boys' work, in directing mind and character, are training those who shall exert their influence after them.

THE members of the committee on visitation of the sick, desires to be informed of any young men, whether members of the association or not, who may be sick and in need of attention. They will be glad to render all the assistance they can.

THE members of the new Committees as announced in last week's issue of the BULLETIN, have taken hold of their work in a manner manifesting a spirit of interest.

ANY of our members or friends that have not received a copy of our Annual Report can secure one at the building. We are sure it is well worth having.

THE eight district of this State held their Annual Convention at Lancaster, last week, our association was represented. It is proposed to hold a District Convention at an early date.

THERE is much increased interest being taken in the Easton Association. They expect to secure a General Secretary.

THE April Magazines have been received in our Reading Rooms. Visitors are always welcome.

DR. J. M. PEDDICORD gave the boys a talk on Botany last Monday evening. 275 boys attended the entertainment.

AN attractive programme will be prepared for the April Members' Reception, which will be the last one of the season.

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JOHN B. McPHERSON, ESQ.,

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